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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Title

Multi-Stage Optical Amplifier and Broadband Communication System

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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Statement (IDS) PTO-1449
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Prior application information: Examiner Hughes, D.

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